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Triple Murder at Mosquero

Mosquero was the scene of one of the most regrettable events in the history of this mesa last Saturday afternoon resulting in the death of two men and the mortal wounding of their murderer.

As we learn the story from one who was there soon after the killing, it was as follows.

Ernest Long and R. R. Holland came into town Saturday morning and proceeded to tank up. They made threats and generally were obnoxious. Malaquias Baca owner of the saloon was kept at home with a sick child and his uncle, Pablo Baca, was tending bar. Finally Leng pulled a 45 automatic pistol and commenced shooting, choosing a new type-writer on the desk as a target. Mr. Baca tried to take the gun from him and he drew another pistol and shot Baca through the heart killing him instantly.

At the sound of the shooting, Deputy Sheriff E. R. Gentry, of Clayton, who happened to be in town on other business, ran into the saloon and was shot through the breast by Long as he entered the door. In spite of his wound Gentry drew his gun and fired on Long who ran behind the bar and hid. Gentry reached over the bar and shot him through and then turned and went to Ben Brown's Hotel and asked for a doctor. Mr. Brown was taking him up stairs a room when he collapsed and died.

Medical aid was rendered Long but it is believed his wounds are such that he cannot recover.

After the shooting, Holland ran out and hid two big 45 automatics and a quantity of shells for them in the weeds. A woman saw him from her window and advised the officers who went and recovered them and placed Holland under arrest.

Sheriff Roy Sutton and Asst. District Attorney, C. A. Collins came at once from Clayton to investigate.

Pablo Baca was one of the first Sheriffs of Union County and a fine old man as ever lived. Mr. Gentry has made an enviable reputation as an officer and his death in the prime of a splendid young manhood is especially regrettable.

Ernest Long is one of the parties suspected of robbing automobiles here recently and Marshall Chas. Pearce searched his place recently for Mr. Justice's tires that were stolen. There was also a rumor that his car was on that had been stolen in the south part of the state and it was this that he claimed sent him on the war path.

Albert Bacharach returned Wednesday from Colorado Springs where he went to visit his aunt Mrs. Benjamin Strause, of Philadelphia who is travelling with her daughter in the west.

She is 68 years of age and came here from Germany 51 years ago. She is the founder of The Jewish Seaside Home for Invalids a large sanitarium near Philadelphia which she has recently presented to the U. S. Government for the use of wounded and sick soldiers.

Albert is immensely proud of her as he has a right to be.

W. W. Wildman was left in charge of his store during his absence.

Mrs. S. H. Jenkins and children left Sunday for Little Rock, Arkansas where they will spend the winter and the children will attend school. Her health will not permit of her remaining at this altitude.

Weddings

Lancaster-Johnson

The leading news and social event of the week is the marriage of Roy's Postmaster, Wm. G. Johnson, to Mrs. Ollie Lancaster, of Solano, Tuesday. This event is not entirely a surprise to the many friends of both parties and general congratulations and kindly wishes were all ready for expression.

The contracting parties and a few immediate relatives gathered at the parsonage at "High Twelve" and the vows were administered by Rev. O. W. Hearn. Immediately they entered autos and were driven to the depot where they "Entrained" for Tucumcari to visit the Cowboy's Reunion and will spend a few days on a bridal trip. They will be home at the week-end.

We proclaim the groom, here where he is known to all, the most strenuous, competent, ambitious and aggressive citizen of Roy. As former Principal of our Schools and Postmaster as well as the man who, by his nerve and energy put across our District Fair and about everything else worth while that Roy has ever done. He has been an important personality in the making of the town, and he is still young with a brilliant future just opening out before him.

His bride is a most charming little woman, still on the bright side of twenty. She has been holding down a homestead of 320 acres of the best land on the mesa. Endowed with surpassing personal charms, she is also equipped with a large fund of good sense and is an expert at the things necessary to making a real home for the man who has chosen her to preside over his home and heart.

They will be "At home" after Sept. 15th, - so says attractive announcement cards - at the fine residence on Chicosa Street, Roy which the groom has been fitting up for his bride.

The S-A. rejoices with a host of friends in their prospect for happiness and prosperity and is also glad to have Will settle down and be the useful citizen he used to be for we must confess his strenuous courtship has seriously interfered with his usefulness in social, lodge, Municipal and public affairs which his bride may as well consent to share him with after the first act of the honeymoon is over. May the rest of it continue so long as life may last is our worst wish for them.

Scott-Kenoyer

A pretty little home wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Scott Sunday afternoon united the lives of their daughter, Miss Opal Scott and Mr. Vernie Kenoyer. Only a few relatives and intimate friends were present. The vows were administered by Rev. O. W. Hearn. Miss Lillian Griner was bridesmaid and Dr. A. L. Hofer, best man. Following the wedding, feasting was indulged in to excess during the afternoon.

The bride is the eldest daughter of the Scott family, has lived most of her life at Roy, was a pupil in the Roy schools, and has long been Secretary of the Roy Union Sunday School. Endowed with more than a fair share of personal charm as well as the home training which fits her as mistress of a home.

The groom is a young homesteader in the country north and a member of one of the best families on the mesa, and an exemplary young man. They will reside in the new house he is building on his claim, to which the congratulations and good wishes of a host of friends will accompany them.

When you want State Seed

When you decide to get Seed Wheat from the State you will do well to observe the following rules I have found it necessary to adopt.

I get nothing from acting as Agent for the state, not one cent is paid me for this work as distributor while at best it costs me hours every week that ought to be spent on my own crops. Every minute of time and every cent postage is my loss.

I will not answer letters of inquiry.

When you come for seed, know where you will buy it and the price per bushel.

Buy your seed of whoever you wish but have arrangements made before you come to me.

If under 21 years old bring parent or guardian with you to sign your note.

I have time to do business with you but not to visit nor write letters.

Please note these things and be governed accordingly and advise those who don't read.

G. R. ABERNATHY,
Distributing Agent.

Rocq Reeder Home Bereaved

Mr. and Mrs. Rocq Reeder of Pleasant View mourn the death of their baby daughter, Leona, aged one short year, who died Wednesday evening.

The child had been ill at the home of Geo. N. Ames but was better and the mother was on the way home with her. They stopped at the home of Mrs. Reeder, father, J. W. Johnson out of the rain when the child was seized with convulsions and died before medical aid could be summoned.

The funeral was held from the Christian Church in Roy Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Hearn, Interment at the Roy Cemetery.

The sympathy of the community was attested by the wealth of flowers laid on the coffin the remembrance of friends and of the I. O. O. F. Lodge of which the father and grandfather are members.

Mrs. Jno. Mackey, of Solano, came to the Plumlee Hospital Saturday for an operation.

Labor Day Proclamation

The law of our state designates the first Monday of September of each year Labor day and a holiday.

While faithfully observing that day so set apart in honor of the dignity and sanctity of labor, since "Labor, wide as the earth, has its summit in Heaven," let us also, on that day, vitally realize that our country, this year, has set for itself a supreme labor. The labor, so nobly begun and accomplished by our fathers on this continent. The large and final labor, world-wide—the destruction of tyranny and oppression as the foundation stones of human government.

While on that day we rejoice because of our wondrous prosperity and freedom, let us vitally realize that the business of the world-war in which we are engaged is not usual and that the labor of its conquest is supreme.

Now therefore, I W. E. Lindsey, Governor of the State of New Mexico, in accordance with law, do proclaim

Monday, Sept 3d, 1917,

LABOR DAY.

I earnestly recommend that on that day the people of the state assemble together in their respective communities and re-dedicate "their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor" to the cause of liberty. That on that day, we revive our faith in the righteousness of the cause of those who died at Lexington and Gettysburg in affirmation of the principle that all governments derive their just powers from the consent of the governed. That on that day, we dedicate ourselves to the proposition that nations, like individuals, are created equal, and that any government of the world must derive its just powers from the consent of the nations governed. That, on that day, we highly resolve that in this war Germany shall realize only the negative alternative of her shibboleth: "World dominion or downfall."

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the State of New Mexico to be affixed Done at the City of Santa Fe, this 22nd day of August, A. D. 1917.

Attested: W. E. LINDSEY,
ANTONIO LUCERO, Secretary of State. Governor.

Santa Fe, Aug. 30:- Chas. J. Strong is the Mora County member of the new advisory council of the Taxpayer's association.

He was selected, with the other council members, at the recent annual meeting of the association here, when former Governor Herbert J. Hagerman was re-elected president; Secretary of State, Antonio Lucero, secretary and J. Van Houten, of Raton, treasurer. J. H. Raynolds, of Albuquerque, was elected vice president, succeeding Harry W. Kelly, of Las Vegas. The executive committee named is composed of President Hagerman, State Senator John S. Clark, of Las Vegas, State Senator R. G. Bryant, of Portales; James G. Fitch, of Socorro, and John M. Sully, of Santa Rita.

The "Home Carnival" given Saturday night by the Ladies of the Red Cross, attracted a large audience and entertained it admirably.

Ice Cream and cake served in the new banquet room of the Community Hall followed the program. The financial returns amounted to \$32.00 which will be used in fitting out the regulation "Comfort Bags" for the Soldier boys from this mesa.

The side shows were quite an attraction and about everybody visited them.

Dr. Plumlee was called away again Tuesday by his duties as member of the Exemption Board of Mora County. Dr. Sales is in charge of their practice and the Hospital during his absence.

The O.S. Picnic

The Old Settler's Picnic at Pleasant View last Thursday was the usual success and a thousand or more people attended. The numerous threshing machines in sight from the place kept many away and many others were too busy preparing for the planting of wheat to spare time to attend.

The program in the forenoon consisted of an address of welcome by Rev. Hearn and response by Mr. Hayworth of Iowa, father of Mrs. M. Conner and Mrs. C. W. Burton of Solano. He is past 90 years old but remarkably preserved, and told his recollection of the Mexican War, the Civil War and the Spanish-American War as well as the progress of the arts of peace for 4-5ths of a century.

The picnic dinner was the usual event, too well known to the people of this community to need description.

The afternoon program consisted of music and readings. The fact that the outdoor program on the large platform with dozens of persons racing around, hundreds visiting and talking, scores of babies crying and numberless pairs of young people intent on their own giggly converse, limited those who heard the program to a possible score who crowded around the performers, emphasizing the apparent fact that a program is not interesting to a picnic crowd.

The prominent feature was the address by Rev. J. S. Russell, Prelate of the Mining Camp at Dawson. He mounted the desk and delivered an address which for forceful, practical patriotism and modern common sense has never been equalled on this mesa, and which has set a lot of people thinking along right lines and shocked awake some who maybe prefer to sleep on in spite of national danger.

The crowd did pause and listen to him and to anyone who thinks this speech was worth the trouble of coming to hear it.

He emphasized the need of Moral and Spiritual understanding suggesting that material things were prostituted to base uses and science was sometimes made the hand-maid immorality. "What need of rapid transit, if we indulge only in folly at the end of the trip - - What good of wireless or telephone if they transmit only foolishness - - Why any material advantage if only material ends are sought." He characterized the statements that capital was urging the war for financial advantages and that the object of the U. S. was anything but the highest form of patriotism and loyalty to the principles on which our Government is founded as "A Damned Lie" instigated by German autocracy and peddled by unworthy persons and he sees a glorious future for the allied nations when peace with honor is attained.

The program of sports furnished immense amusement for the crowd until evening when the streaks a dawn appeared in the east. Jitney service provided by The Roy Garage delivered many from town to the picnic and back in safety and luxury.

Prof. R. S. Trumbull, of El Paso, Agricultural Agent for the E. P. & S. W. Ry. accompanied by Dr. R. J. Hare, of Albuquerque of the Government Bureau of Crop Estimates, came to Roy Monday and have spent the week looking over the crops on the mesa. They have looked at many crops including Fred Brown's bean field and are getting records which will be useful later.

Exam' For Rural Mail Carrier

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination for the County of Mora, New Mexico to be held on Sept. 22 1917 to fill the position of rural carrier at Abbott New Mexico and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from other post offices in the above-mentioned county. The examination will be open only to male citizens who are actually domiciled in the territory of a post office in the county and who meet the other requirements set forth in Form No. 1977. This form and application blanks may be obtained from the offices mentioned above or from the United States Civil Service Commission at Washington, D. C. Applications should be forwarded to the Commission at Washington at the earliest practicable date.

The Y.P.S.C.E. has adopted an innovation in the selection of two little girls as leaders where one finds it embarrassing to do it alone. Misses Dorothy Gibbs and Genevieve Brown presided very gracefully Sunday evening and Misses Mildred Martin and Jeanette Lusk will lead next Sunday night.

Mrs. Mills - Young and her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jack Mills of Solano, attended Sunday School and Church in Roy Sunday Morning and in the afternoon took the S-A. family for a long drive in the country. It was a very pleasant trip of 25 or 30 miles of the best part of the mesa, and the crop prospects and wheat fields were plenty good enough scenery to suit us. Mrs. Mills Jr. is becoming quite proficient at the steering wheel of a Ford and is running the farm this week while Jack is off on a camping trip up in the mountains with a party of friends from Clayton.

It will be a source of satisfaction to every citizen of New Mexico, especially the taxpayer, to know that its Normal University at Las Vegas has made a most remarkable growth in attendance and prestige during the past seven years. Its enrollment has increased 192.5 percent since the summer of 1910, in the fall of which year Dr. Frank H. H. Roberts took charge as president. In that time the population of the state has increased approximately 110 per cent, which demonstrates that the school is growing much more rapidly than is New Mexico itself.

Will King and wife drove down from Raton Thursday in their auto - - that is, Mrs. King got here for the picnic while Will stayed with a broken down car out on the prairie 12 miles from Abbott. He finally got out by walking 12 miles to a telephone and getting help and had a fine time after he got here.

Will puts on Metropolitan airs since he lives in the city and assures us he had to keep a sharp lookout to see Roy as he passed and not drive by and a lot of other guff. Really we miss his annual watermelon patch he used to have here more than we do him, we'll tell him so, long as he is so cheery about it.

They started home Sunday evening with the prospect of a fine trip.

Mrs. Sales, wife of Dr. O. A. Sales, arrived from Missouri last week and has accepted a position as teacher in the Roy Schools this winter.